

On behalf of Special Olympics Iowa, our Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and most especially our athletes and their families, we are writing to encourage the Federal communications Commission to reconsider the ruling you have issued and to allow the DialAmerica Sponsor Sales Program exemption from the rules on telephone solicitations. Special Olympics Iowa serves over 12,000 athletes throughout the state, in each of the 99 counties. We have over 750 people who volunteer to coach the athletes, over 15,000 volunteers to are engaged in helping and thousands of families benefiting.

Special Olympics Iowa budget is \$1.4 million. The funds donated to us from DialAmerica, almost \$20,000, make up a significant portion of our budget. Our mission is to respond to the needs of persons with mental disabilities through sports training, socialization, intervention and other helpful and supportive ways.

Please consider our appeal. We should be more than happy to respond to questions and/or to provide additional information if that is of help to you in making this very important decision.

Sincerely,

Judy Conlin
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